UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new non-provisional
applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Title of Invention	Methods And Compositions For Treating Hepatitis C Virus
Named Inventor(s)	Jean-Pierre Sommadossi and Paolo La Colla.
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2.		Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.	10.		37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement		
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		inventor(s) named in the prior	14.		(Should be specifically itemized)		
		application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2)	15.		Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)		
		and 1.33(b).	16.	\boxtimes	Other: Request for Filing a Continuation		
6.	\Box	Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.	Application Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) 2 pp.				
7.		CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or					
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8.	Nucle	eotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence					
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In re Application of:)	
Jean-Pierre Sommadossi, et al.)	
Serial No.: Unassigned This is a Continuation of))	
U.S.S.N. 09/864,078)	Art Unit: 1623
Filed: May 23, 2001))	Examiner: Howard Owens
For: Methods and Compositions for Treating)	
Hepatitis C Virus)	
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The Honorable Commissioner for Patents		
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REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)

Sir:

This is a request by Jean Pierre Sommadossi and Paola LaColla for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application U.S. Serial No. 09/864,078, filed on May 23, 2001, currently pending.

Enclosed is a copy of the prior application U.S.S.N. 09/864,078 as originally filed on May 23, 2001. The application includes two hundred and sixty-five pages of Specification, Claims, and Abstract and three pages of Formal Drawings. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of what is shown in my records to be the above-identified prior application.

Jean Pierre Sommadossi has assigned his interest to Novirio Pharmaceuticals Limited and Paola LaColla has assigned his interest to Universita Degli Studi Di Cagliari, which was recorded on September 13, 2001, at Reel 012162, Frame 0294. Novirio Pharmaceuticals Limited

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changed its name to Idenix Pharmaceuticals Inc., which was recorded on August 19, 2002, at Reel 013193, Frame 0841. Please also note that Idenix Pharmaceuticals, Inc., which was first formed and incorporated in the jurisdiction of the Cayman Islands, has now accepted domestication pursuant to Section 388 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, the United States of America. The Certification of Domestication Incorporation in Delaware was recorded on February 6, 2003, at Reel 013718, Frame 0543. A copy of the recorded assignments, the recordation of name change, and the recordation of certification of domestication are enclosed. Also enclosed are copies of the executed Declarations for Patent Application and Powers of Attorney.

A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Applicants request entry of the Preliminary Amendment prior to examination of this application.

Applicants enclose a check for \$840.00 to cover the filing fee. The Commissioner for Patents is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-0980.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10 FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION FILING

I hereby certify that this Request for filing a Continuation Application, Transmittal of Utility Patent Application, Utility Patent Application, and Fee Transmittal, along with any documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addresses" services under 37 CFR 1.10, Mailing Label Number <u>EV330778021US</u> addressed to Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION; The Honorable Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Date: June 20, 2003